REMARKS

Receipt of the Office Action of January 10, 2007 is gratefully acknowledged.

The examiner has objected to the drawings because claims 16 and 17 are not shown.

This objection is respectfully traversed.

The specification states (page 7, lines 21 - 28) that "depressions 61,62..... are provided...." These depressions are shown in Fig. 1 and most clearly in Figs. 3 and 6. This description and the noted illustration should be sufficient to satisfy the requirements of 37 CFR 1.83(a).

The rejection of claims 14 - 26 as indefinite under 35 USC 112, second paragraph is noted. In reply thereto, claim 14 has been amended to change "place" to "plane," to change "cushion-like" to "cushion" and "plateau-like" to "plateau." To conform the specification to the claims as amended, page 1, the second paragraph, has been amended to modify "cushion-like' and "plateau-like." Since this paragraph introduces these phrases, their correction should suffice as the complete correction of the specification.

There remains the rejection of claims 14 - 26 under 35 USC 103(a) over Seiter, publication '746 and Andrews.

This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In his rejection, the examiner states that "Andrews teaches an insole comprising depressions (18a;18b) to relieve the pressure on the heads of the metatarsal bones" In fact Andrews does not teach depressions because the depressions 18a are filled with inserts 19a. The inserts 19 cancel any effect of the depressions. The present invention does not have inserts in the depressions. No such inserts are disclosed or claimed. The

examiner's rejection is, therefore, defective to render the claimed invention unpatentable under 35 USC 103.

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration and re-examination are respectfully requested and claims 14 - 26 allowed.

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